

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program is dedicated to enhancing the role of the United States in space research; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Space Grant Consortium is committed to helping colleges and universities throughout Idaho build multi-disciplinary research and education programs focused on space science, space technology and aeronautics; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Space Grant Consortium promotes cooperation and the undertaking of joint projects between public and private colleges and universities, space-related industries, state and local governments and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Space Grant Consortium is providing important opportunities for young scientists and scholars to participate in the national space program, and the work of these young scientists and scholars will benefit all Americans in the quest to understand and explore space and all it has to offer; and

WHEREAS, distinguished Idahoans have made important contributions to space research, including participation in the international Cassini Mission to Saturn and Titan, the New Horizons mission to Pluto, and student involvement in the NASA Robotic Lunar Exploration Program; and

WHEREAS, many Idaho students contribute to the National Space Program through research internships at NASA Centers around the country; and

WHEREAS, NASA's first Educator Astronaut is an Idahoan who flew on the Space Shuttle Endeavor to the International Space Station; and

WHEREAS, Idaho citizens from many different disciplines and Idaho businesses of many different types can contribute to and benefit from space research and exploration of space;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 24-27. 2013 to be

IDAHO SPACE WEEK

and I urge Idahoans to support space-related activities which will benefit all mankind in the years to come.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 14th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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